

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended as follows:

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The paragraph at lines 18-25 has been amended as follows:

Inflators 30 charged ~~from the~~ from the inflator charging port 12 into the thermally treating tower 10 are heated at a predetermined temperature or more to ignite and burn gas generating materials housed therein. The thermal treatment temperature in the thermally treating tower 10 is a temperature at which the gas generating materials housed in the inflators 30 burn but the main metal constituting the inflators 30 does not melt.

Pages 10-11

The paragraph beginning on page 10, line 25 and ending on page 11, line 4 has been amended as follows:

The combustion gas is discharged from the exhaust gas tube 16 connected to a ceiling portion of the thermally treating tower 10, it is cooled inside the cooling tower 17 by water ~~spaying~~ spraying due to shower for cooling 19, and it is guided into water inside the cooling tower tank 18. A gas staying in the cooling tower tank 18 is discharged from the gas discharging tube 26 into the atmosphere.